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RE: Reference Mark (RM) 905 in Brays Bayou Watershed

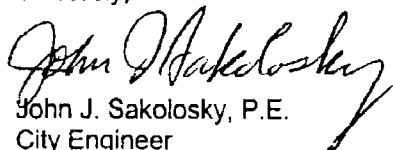
Dear Mr. Blount:

The City of Houston has concluded that the 1978 adjustment for RM 905 is incorrect and should no longer be used. The City requests that your department remove this RM from your records, as the preponderance of information provided to the City indicates that the vertical information (elev. 49.10) is faulty. We have discussed the removal from use of this monument with Mr. Jacob Spenn, Harris County Flood Control District (HCFCD), and Mr. John Grounds, Grounds Anderson, LLC. They have concurred with our assessment.

The City will not accept elevation certificates based on RM 905, elevation 49.10. Elevation certificates for the Brays Bayou watershed should be based on other reference marks. Additionally, the new Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Preliminary maps should use the reference marks shown on the TSARP website which are based on 2001 datum.

If you require additional assistance, please contact Mr. Mike Loomis of my staff at 713-535-7516.

Sincerely,


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